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Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

This is a Request for filing a continued prosecution application under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(d) of prior Application No. 08/952,475 entitled MEAT PRODUCTS WITH PLASMA-CHOLESTEROL-LEVEL SUPRESSING PROPERTY

by the following named Inventor(s):

Fumiki MORIMATSU; Shinichiro KATSUDA; Mikako SATO; Tatsuyoshi NAKAGAMI

- This application is filed by fewer than all the inventors named in the prior application, 37 C.F.R. §1.53(d)(4).
  - a. DELETE the following inventor(s) named in the prior nonprovisional application:
  - b. The inventor(s) to be deleted are set forth on a separate sheet attached hereto.

The above-identified prior application, in which no payment of the issue fee, abandonment of, or termination of proceedings has occurred, is hereby expressly abandoned as of the filing date of this new application. Please use all of the contents of the prior application file wrapper, including the drawings, as the basic papers for the new application.

- 1. Enter the Amendment previously filed May 17, 2000, under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 but unentered, in the prior application.
- 2. A Preliminary Amendment is enclosed.
- 3. An Information Disclosure Statement and PTO-1449 form(s) are attached hereto for the Examiner's consideration.
- 4. 

  A new power of attorney or authorization of agent is enclosed.

The filing fee is calculated on the basis of the claims existing in the prior application as amended at 1 and 2 above.

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- $\hfill \square$  A small entity statement is enclosed.
- A small entity statement was filed in the prior nonprovisional application and such status is still proper and desired.
- ☐ Is no longer claimed.
- 6. Priority of Application No(s). filed in on is claimed under 35 U.S.C. § 119. See attached copy of the Letter claiming priority filed in the prior application on .

to Deposit Account No. 02-2448 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. §§1.16 or 1.17; particularly, extension of time fees.

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| 7.  |             | Priority of International Appl. PCT/JP96/01346 filed 21 May 1996 under the Patent Cooperation Treaty and patent Application No. 7-146814 filed in JAPAN on 21 May 1995 under 35 U.S.C. § 119 are hereby reclaimed.                   |
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| 8.  | $\boxtimes$ | Address all future communications to:  |
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| 9.  | $\boxtimes$ | The applicant(s) hereby petition(s) for an extension of three (3) month(s) pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.17 and   |
|     |             | 1.136(a). The fee has been calculated as shown below:  |
|     |             | ${ m NO}$ extensions of time have been previously obtained in the prior application. Thus, a fee of \$890.00 is required for the <u>full period</u> of the above-requested extension of time.  |
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| 10. | $\boxtimes$ | A check in the amount of \$1,000.00 is encrosed.   |
| 11. |             | Please charge Deposit Account No. 02-2448 in the amount of \$0.00. A triplicate copy of this request is enclosed.  |
| 12. |             | The filing fee is $\underline{\text{NOT}}$ attached. Please issue a Notice requesting the filing fee.  |
| 13. |             | Also enclosed herewith is the following:   |
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If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-2448 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 or under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17; particularly, extension of time fees.

It is understood that secrecy under 35 U.S.C. § 122 is hereby waived to the extent that if information or access is available to any one of the applications in the file wrapper of a 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(d) application, be it either this application or a prior application in the same file wrapper, the Patent and Trademark Office may provide similar information or access to all of the other applications in the same file wrapper.

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## PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to the initial examination of this application, please amend above-identified application as follows:

## IN THE CLAIMS

Please cancel claim 2 without prejudice or disclaimer of the subject matter contained therein.

Please amend the claims to read as:

The meat product claimed in claim 11, wherein the vegetable oil is at least one oil selected from the group consisting of soybean oil, rapeseed oil, safflower oil, sesame oil, and\rice-bran oil.